

Revolutionary War: Depreciation Pay and Other Military Information
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*There are thousands of names, and they are all in alphabetical order.

*The following are a select few transcribed by Carla Welsh.

*Of note, the old British currency of pounds, shillings, and pence is listed below.

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6. From here, the names are in alphabetical order, so you will go into each set by clicking on the camera icon. The records are locked and can only viewed from computers at a Family History Center or affiliated library.

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GLOUCESTER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Risley, Ann – Gloucester County. Private, Gloucester County Militia; received certificate 190, amounting to £3:0:0, for the depreciation of his Continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia (Ref. Militia 2d Year, p. 168).

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Risley, Asa – Private, Captain Thomas Young Seymour's Company, Colonel Elisha Sheldon's 2d Regt., Dragoons, Continental Army; enlisted 1 JAN 1778, for the war (Ref. ms. 9908, p. 18).
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Risley, David – Gloucester County. On 5 MAY 1777, the Great Egg Harbor and Cape May Minutes, 1726-1797, reported that he was bearing arms, and was disowned (Ref. ms. 3789, p. 2); Private, Gloucester County Militia; received certificate 93, amounting to £2:2:1, for the depreciation of his Continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia (Ref. Militia 2d Year, p. 117).

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Risley, Jeremiah – Second Lieutenant, Captain Joseph Covenhoven's Company, 3d regt., Gloucester County Militia, 18 SEP 1777 (ref. ms. 646); received certificate #126, for £1:13:9, depreciation of his continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia, dated 1 MAY 1784 and signed by Thomas Carpenter (ref. mil. 2d yr. p. 168).

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(OF NOTE: This is the author's 6th great-grandfather. Jeremiah Risley, born 14 DEC 1734, died 24 JUN 1796; born and died in Great Egg Harbor/Egg Harbor Township, Gloucester County, New Jersey; married to Margaret Doughty. Jeremiah was the son of Jeremiah and Dinah Risley (nee Gale). The line continues back to Richard Risley, one of the founders of Hartford, Connecticut.)

Jeffryes, John – Private, 3rd Regiment, Gloucester County Militia under Captains Price, Somers, Weatherby, and Snell; served monthly tours from 1775-1780. Received certificates signed by Thomas Carpenter, for the depreciation of his Continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia, as follows: No. 467, dated 1 MAY 1784, for £0:11:8, and No. 575, dated 1 MAY 1784, for £0:17:11. Received from Thomas Denny, Mustermaster, £1:10:0, 9 JUL 1777, bounty for four months service in Colonel Richard Somer's Regiment, Gloucester County Militia. Resident of Gloucester County, New Jersey; age 18 years. (Invalid No. 4440; MS. NO. 3873, page 8; Militia, 2nd year, pages 110 and 248.)

Jeffrys, John – On 1 JUN 1840, was a pensioned Revolutionary soldier, 82 years of age, and resided in Egg Harbor, Atlantic County, in the home of Nicholas Jeffrys. (Ref. Mss. 10765, Page 107).

Jeffrys, John – Signed a petition, claiming pay for nine months service in the 1st Regiment, New Jersey Continental Line, 13 AUG 1784 (MS. NO. 3669.)

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(OF NOTE: John W. Jeffryes is the author's 5th great-grandfather. John was born 14 SEP 1757, died 19 NOV 1842. Born and died in Great Egg Harbor/Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey. At the time of John's birth, the township was in Gloucester County. At the time of his death, the township was in Atlantic County due to county changes. John was married to Judith Steelman, the daughter of Andrew and Hannah Steelman (nee Ingersoll). John's father replaced him in the Revolution for a period of one month. His father was probably William Jeffryes, found on the SEP 1773 Great Egg Harbor Tax Ratable. John and Judith are buried next to each other in Zion United Methodist Church Cemetery, Zion Road, Egg Harbor Township, Atlantic County, New Jersey, but his headstone is engraved wrong. His last name was engraved as "Jeffers" and his birth and death dates are engraved wrong by 2 years each. Judith's headstone spells the surname correctly: JEFFRYES. The Steelman line continues back to Hans Mansson (1612-1691) who came to the New World from Sweden as a convict indentured servant.)

Risley, Joseph – Gloucester County. On 5 FEB 1776, the Great Egg Harbor and Cape May Minutes, 1726-17997, reported that he was bearing arms; disowned 4 MAR 1776 (Ref. ms. 3789, p. 2); Private, Gloucester County Militia; received certificate 91, amounting to £2:2:1, for the depreciation of his Continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia (Ref. Militia 2d Year, p. 114).

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(OF NOTE: Joseph Risley (1754-1827) was the son of Samuel Risley, Esquire, and Judith Risley (nee Somers). Joseph was married to Mary Baker.)

Risley, Morris – Gloucester County. Private, Gloucester County Militia; received certificate 125, amounting to £2:18:9, for the depreciation of his Continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia (Ref. Militia 2d Year, p. 115).

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(OF NOTE: Morris Risley was the son of Richard Risley and Rebecca _____. Morris was married to Jemima Lake.)

Risley, Nathaniel – Gloucester County. Private, Gloucester County Militia; received certificate 107, amounting to £1:13:9, for the depreciation of his Continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia (Ref. Militia 2d Year, p. 113).

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(OF NOTE: Nathaniel Risley is the author's 5th great-grandfather. Nathaniel was born 18 MAR 1759, and died after deed dated 1st day, 3rd month, 1821 and before deed dated OCT 1822. Born and died in Great Egg Harbor/Egg Harbor Township, Gloucester County, New Jersey. Married to Sarah Steelman, daughter of Peter and Sarah Steelman (nee Beaston). Nathaniel was the son of Jeremiah and Margaret Risley (nee Doughty). Nathaniel's father was also in the Revolution, and he is mentioned a few entries before Nathaniel's entry here. The Risley line goes back to Richard Risley, one of the founders of Connecticut, who came to the New World from England during the 17th century. The Steelman line traces back to Hans Mansson (1612-1691), a convict indentured servant who came to the New World from Sweden.)

Risley, Peter – Gloucester County. Private, Gloucester County Militia; received certificate 375, amounting to £0:8:4, for the depreciation of his Continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia (Ref. Indents, Rev. War, p. 5_) (Looks like page 56 or 58?).

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Risley, Richard – Private, Captain Jean Louis de Vernejoux's Company, Col. Elisha Sheldon's 2d Regt., Dragoons, Continental Army; enlisted 16 FEB 1777, for the war; Corporal, 16 MAR 1778; Sergeant, 1781 (Ref. ms. 9908, p. 18).

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Risley, Samuel – Gloucester County. Private, Gloucester County Militia; received certificate 92, amounting to £2:2:1, for the depreciation of his Continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia (Ref. Militia 2d Year, p. 142).

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(OF NOTE: Samuel Risley was born circa 1728, died after 20 NOV 1797. Born and died in Great Egg Harbor/Egg Harbor Township, Gloucester County, New Jersey. He was married to Judith Somers. He was the son of Jeremiah and Dinah Risley (nee Gale).)

Risley, Samuel, Jr. – Gloucester County. On 5 MAY 1777, the Great Egg Harbor and Cape May Minutes, 1726-1797, reported that he was bearing arms, and was disowned (Ref. ms. 3789, p. 2). FamilySearch.org: Image 234, DGS #8217551.

Risley, Thomas – Gloucester County. Private, Gloucester County Militia; received certificate 86, amounting to £2:2:2, for the depreciation of his Continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia (Ref. Militia 2d Year, p. 114).

(OF NOTE: Thomas Risley was born circa 1749, died 1799. Born and died in Great Egg Harbor/Egg Harbor Township, Gloucester County, New Jersey. Thomas was married to Mary Leeds. He was the son of Richard and Rebecca Risley.)

MONMOUTH COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Bennett, Samuel – Stafford Township, Monmouth County – Age 19.

Private, Captain Reuben F. Randolph's Fifth Company, Second Regiment, Monmouth County Militia, without date. (Ref. Stryker's Printed Roster, p. 506).

Private, Captain William Wikoff's Company, Colonel David Forman's Regiment, Continental Army, enlisted at Tom's River, 14 MAR 1777, for three years. Transferred to Captain John Burrowe's Company, Colonel Oliver Spencer's Regiment, Continental Army, in 1779. Omitted April 1780. (Ref. Mss. 2391 and 3777, Page 1).

Claimed to have been in the battle of Germantown, 4 OCT 1777; in skirmish at Elizabethtown, and under Major General John Sullivan in expedition against the Indians in Western part of New York in 1779. (Ref. Inv. 34017).

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(OF NOTE: Samuel Bennett is the author's 5th great-grandfather. Samuel was born 5 OCT 1757. He died 27 FEB 1846 in Monmouth County, New Jersey. He lived in Stafford Township. It is unknown who his parents were, but they were probably from the more northern Monmouth County area. Samuel's wife was Phoebe Spragg, daughter of Michael Spragg, per deed which lists her as Phoebe Bennett, wife of Samuel Bennett, and heir of Michael Spragg. DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) has Samuel's wife mixed up with another woman in town named Phoebe Paul, which the author has proven wrong through land records and a family sampler with Phoebe Spragg's birth year, and other records, and by pulling the other Phoebe Paul's records such as her death certificate, census information, etc. Samuel is buried in First Methodist Meeting House Burial Ground in Manahawkin, Stafford Township, Ocean County, New Jersey.)

Headley, ____.- Captain, Monmouth County Militia, 1781. (Invalid No. 2870 – Samuel Mount.)

Note: There is no other record of this man other than the pension claim given as reference.

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